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SUBJECT: INDONESIAN YOUTH COMMITTEE PROTEST ON ACTIVITIES
OF JAMES DUNN

1. TEN MAN DELEGATION OF INDONESIAN YOUTH NATIONAL COMMITTEE (KMPI) MET WITH AMBASSADOR TODAY TO PRESENT "PROTEST" AGAINST ACTIVITIES OF JAMES DUNN. MEETING, WHICH COVERED BY LOCAL PRESS, LASTED 30 MINUTES AND WAS DECOROUS AND LOW-KEY. INDONESIANS, AFTER BRIEF INTRODUCTORY REMARKS, READ TWO-PAGE PROTEST, WHICH LABELLED DUNN "A POLITICAL ANIMAL WITH THE SOUL OF AN INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST" AND ASKED THAT US CONGRESS BE "OBJECTIVE, REALISTIC AND WISE IN EVALUATING" WHAT DUNN SAYS. PROTEST MORE SPECIFICALLY ASKED CONGRESS TO SEND DELEGATION TO INDONESIA "TO SEE AND EVALUATE DIRECTLY THE REAL SITUATION" AND TO "INVITE THE INDONESIAN SIDE TO GIVE THE TRUE EXPLANATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE".

2. ONE OF THE DELEGATION'S LEADERS IN PERSONAL COMMENT POINTED OUT THAT HUMAN RIGHTS CONDITIONS VARIED IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES AND RHETORICALLY ASKED WHETHER GOI IN CONDUCTING ITS BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH US SHOULD HOLD HEARINGS

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ON "SECOND CLASS CITIZENSHIP" OF BLACK AMERICANS, WHICH HE SAID HE OBSERVED ON TRIP TO ALABAMA IN 1969. THERE WERE NO OTHER COMMENTS OF SUBSTANCE FROM GROUP.

3. AMBASSADOR, RESPONDING TO PETITION AND COMMENTS, CITED SEPARATION OF POWERS WHICH PERMITTED CONGRESS TO CONDUCT INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF FOREIGN POLICY SUBJECTS,

POINTED OUT THAT GOI HAD BEEN INVITED BY SUBCOMMITTEES TO PROVIDE WITNESS, AND NOTED THAT EXECUTIVE BRANCH IN ITS TESTIMONY WOULD PLACE DUNN'S ALLEGATIONS IN PROPER PERSPECTIVE AND EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE OF US-INDONESIAN RELATIONS. AMBASSADOR ALSO NOTED PRESIDENT CARTER IN PUBLIC STATEMENTS HAS CONCEDED US RECORD NOT WITHOUT BLEMISHES AND THAT US HUMAN RIGHTS CONCERNS WOULD BE PURSUED WITHIN CONTEXT OF CONTINUING DESIRE FOR GOOD RELATIONS WITH OUR FRIENDS.

4. KMPI GROUP EARLIER TODAY PRESENTED SIMILAR PROTEST TO AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR, THOUGH IN SOMEWHAT STRONGER TERMS. NEWSOM

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